NOTICE OF FIRE CLOSURE

DINOSAUR NATIONAL MONUMENT

Notice is hereby given by Mary Risser, Superintendent, that pursuant to the authority contained in Title 16 United States Code Section 3 and Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.5 (a) (1), the following restrictions are in place due to the extremely dry conditions and the amount of flammable vegetation.

- 1. Trash or refuse fires are prohibited between the hours of 6:00 am and 8:00 pm. except inside containers that have spark arresters and are located within a cleared area 10 feet in radius.
- 2. Building or using any open fire or campfire, except within agency-provided fire grates at developed campgrounds or within fully enclosed stoves or grills is prohibited. Stoves that use pressurized gas or liquid fuel are permitted.
- 3. Charcoal fires within enclosed grills are permitted.
- 4. Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welders, except in cleared areas 10 feet in radius, are prohibited.
- 5. Smoking cigarettes is prohibited except within an enclosed vehicle, building, developed recreation site or while stopped in a cleared area of at least 3 feet in diameter that is barren and cleared of all flammable material.

The purpose of these open fire restrictions is for the safety of park visitors and the protection of natural and cultural resources. Current fuel conditions within Dinosaur National Monument are among the heaviest in years. These restrictions are dependent upon extended fire weather and conditions and will be evaluated daily.

When necessary, National Park Service Rangers will issue citations to persons violating the terms of this closure under authority of Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 1.5(f).

Mary Risser Superintendent